GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES
LOK SABHA

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INVESTMENT IN AUTOMOBILE INDUSTRY
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Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the automobile industry is considered to be one of the major industries of the country at present;

(b) if so, the total investment made by the end of March,2002 in this sector;

(c) the average annual production in regard to passenger cars, commercial vehicles, autorickshaws and two wheelers during the last three years;

(d) the percentage of vehicles of each category exported out of the total average annual production; and

(e) the foreign exchange earned therefrom during the said period, year-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (DR. VALLABHBHAI KATHIRIA)

(a) Indian automobile industry is one of the major industries contributing nearly 5% of the industrial output of the country.

(b) Total investment in the automotive industry at present is estimated to be Rs.50,000 crore.

(c) & (d): The average annual production in regard to passenger cars, commercial vehicles, two wheelers and three wheelers alongwith percentage of these vehicles exported out of the total average annual production is as under:-

Category of Vehicles	Production 1999-2000	2000-01	Average 2001-02	%of Exports over Production	average production.
Commercial Vehicles	173524	156706	146197	158809	7.37
Passenger Cars	577347	513415	564126	551629	5.82
Two Wheelers	3778011	3758518	4323644	3953391	2.51
Three Wheelers	190259	203234	212753	202082	8.15

(e) As per the information received from Director General of Foreign Trade (DGFT), the foreign exchange earned from export of passenger cars, commercial vehicles and two/three wheelers during the last three years is as under:-

(Value in Rs.Lakh)

Description	1999-2000	2000-2001	2001-2002
Motor Cars	40617.86	46613.86	41828.27
Motor Vehicles for transport of goods	14331.45	30436.56	24080.48
Motor Cycle (incl. Autorickshaws)	21390.76	33607.95	39567.97